



SUBSTANCE ABUSE EPIDEMIOLOGY WORK GROUP

June 14, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

**Governor's Office of Youth, Faith & Family
1700 West Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007**

A general meeting of the Substance Abuse Epidemiology Work Group (Epi Work Group) was held on June 14, 2018 at the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith & Family (GOYFF), 1700 West Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007, notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the Substance Abuse Epidemiology Work Group:

Members Present (9)

Catie Clark, Chair, Statistical Analysis Center, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission

Deborah (Kurth) Jones, Vice Chair, Ph.D., Administrative Office of the Courts, Juvenile Justice Division

Angela Aguayo, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

S. Robert Bailey, Arizona Department of Health Services

Sam Burba, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family (Proxy for Alexandra O'Hannon)

Anne Burke, Inter Tribal Council/Tribal Epidemiology Center (Proxy for Jamie Ritchie)

Peggy Glider, Ph.D., The University of Arizona (Via phone)

John Vivian, Ph.D., Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections (Via Phone)

Wendy Wolfersteig, Ph.D., Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center, ASU

Staff/Guests Present (8)

Members Absent (4)

Brad Snyder, New Amsterdam Consulting

Daniel Greenleaf, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

Cielo Mohapatra, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

Douglas K. Kramer, Treatment Assessment Screening Center

Courtney Whitley, Arizona National Guard, Counter Drug Task Force

Linda Jewell, Department of Child Safety

Joanna Jaureequi, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family

James Riggs, Arizona Department of Corrections

Lisa O'Neill, Arizona National Guard, Counter Drug Task Force

Marisol Diaz, Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center

Sonia Cota-Robles, LeCroy & Milligan

Wendy Boyle, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission

Maria Cristina Fuentes, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family (via phone)



Call to Order

- **Ms. Clark** called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm with nine members and eight guests present.

Welcome/Introductions

- **Ms. Clark** asked each member and guest to introduce him/herself.

Approval of April Minutes

- **Ms. Clark** requested a review of the meeting minutes from April 12, 2018.
- It was noted that Robert Bailey's name was missing from the minutes.
- **Dr. Vivian** moved to approve the minutes; seconded by **Dr. Jones**.
- The motion passed with the addition of Robert Bailey's name.

Review of Packet and Agenda

- **Ms. Clark** asked participants to review meeting materials.

Review of May ASAP Meeting

- **Ms. Clark** discussed highlights from the May ASAP Meeting.
- There was a presentation on vaping and e-cigarettes including a discussion on the "JUUL" vape pen, which is popular among high school students due to its discreet nature.
- Additionally Dr. Tang spoke at the ASAP meeting about the treatment call center and setting up a call in line so clinicians and community members can call in regarding dosing and referrals.
- The next ASAP meeting will be August 9, 2018.

Presentation on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES)

- ACES and trauma-informed services are of big concern for the first lady and the Governor's Office, thus the group welcomed **Mr. Snyder** from New Amsterdam Consulting to present on ACES and Opioid Use.
- **Mr. Snyder** discussed the definition of trauma in relation to ACES and highlighted that the percentage of Arizonans with two or more ACES is well above the national average.
- **Mr. Snyder** presented information from the Arizona Youth Survey:
 - 91% of junior high and high school students who abused opioids in the past 30 days had at least one ACE.
 - Among Arizona youth who reported abusing opioids to cope with stress and sadness, 45% experienced 4 or more ACEs, over 83% had experienced past emotional abuse and 64% have lived with someone who had a substance abuse problem.

Introduction from Director Fuentes

- Via the phone, **GOYFF Director Maria Fuentes** presented on the important work that they are doing at the Governor's office. This includes collaborating with the ACES consortium in the fall with the goal of sharing strategies of what works to prevent and/or work with those who have trauma.
- **Director Fuentes** discussed the importance of ACES as a theme that they are trying to address, specifically how to grow in this area and elevate the discussion for different audiences and create a space for community partnerships.
- **Director Fuentes** suggested that the state needs to create an action plan and develop an inventory of what is out there and what works. This includes looking at literature gaps, putting ACE questions back in the AYS survey for data purposes, and ACEs training.
- **Dr. Wolfersteig** mentioned that for the Arizona Department of Health Services Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Survey now is the time to add questions for 2019, so they may want to see if the adult ACES questions will be asked.



Update on Statewide Substance Use Needs Assessment

- **Ms. Mohapatra** introduced **Dr. Sonia Cota-Robles** from LeCroy & Milligan to discuss the progress currently underway for the statewide needs assessment and ask for feedback on what is important to include for the protocols. The goal is to have a final report by September 30, 2018.
- **Dr. Cota-Robles** distributed a handout that framed the activities that will go into the assessment.
- **Dr. Cota-Robles** described that they will be looking at secondary data sources (reports and surveys) and collecting qualitative data from focus groups and interviews. They will be examining indicators in different age groups (adults and youth) and looking for gaps in data that may be useful when studying special populations that are at high risk for substance abuse (e.g., LGBTQ, veterans and youth).
- **Mr. Bailey** suggested an MOU agreement between AHCCCS and ADHS to streamline data sharing. **Ms. Mohapatra** responded that is something that they are considering.
- **Ms. Mohapatra and Dr. Cota-Robles** asked the group for resources and for members to send information their way if members know of activities, events or gatherings to maximize their efforts. In addition, they will be back with an update for the August meeting.

Prevention Program Survey Update

- **Ms. Clark** asked that people read and provide additional feedback on the report within the next week. Final submission date is June 30, 2018.

Using Data to Empower Arizona Communities Training Update

- **Dr. Wolfersteig** passed out the new training manuals and updated the group with trainings since the last meeting. In April, they presented to 17 people at the HEAAL coalition, 15 people at the Prescott Arizona Courts Association and in May, there was a presentation for 10 people at the Aurora Behavioral Health Center. On June 18, the team will go to Page to present at the Page Public Health Services District.
- **Dr. Wolfersteig** also discussed creating accessibility and sustainability for the training by getting it professionally videotaped.
- **Ms. Clark** offered to host the on-line trainings on the ACJC website.

2018 Meeting Schedule

- **Ms. Clark** announced that the group will not meet in July.
- The next meeting will be August 7, 2018 with subsequent meetings on September 13, 2018 and October 11, 2018.

Call to the Public

- **Ms. Clark** did a call to the public at 2:49; there were no responses from the public.

Floor opened to discussion

- **Ms. Clark** provided an update about the AYS. Over 49,000 student responses so far with some schools lost to the teacher walkout. ACJC is in the process of editing their reports and refining the design with a target to get reports out in October 2018.

Adjournment

- **Dr. Wolfersteig** moved to adjourn. **Mr. Bailey** seconded. There were no objections.
- The meeting adjourned at 2:57 pm.

Dated the 14th of June 2018 Substance Abuse Epidemiology Work Group
Respectfully Submitted By:

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On behalf of the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family